## **November 2025 Newsletter**





# What's happened in October

It's been another busy month at the Centre. On the 10<sup>th</sup> October we celebrated Oktoberfest. We were entertained by the Oompah Band who played a mixture of popular German & English tunes. We enjoyed turkey schnitzel washed down with a shandy.

We also had a visit from Ellie, Des & Chris who came to showcase their Latin American dancing. Our members didn't take much encouragement to join in as they all enjoy a good song and dance.

Tai Chi with Morris is always a relaxing hour when we get to gently stretch and relax practicing our deep breathing and meditation.

Butterfly buddies paid us a visit. This is a regular booking which brings intergenerational friendships sessions with babies and toddlers interacting with our members through play and song.

We also had Movement to music which is a bit more high energy. Seated Yoga which helps us all loosen up and Soph who is always a big hit with her singing. Bob Marley and 3 little birds is always requested.

If you would like to find out more about any of the activities we offer please call us on 0118 9787025 or email julie@wadecentre.org.uk.

Next event Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November. We are delighted to welcome Wokingham Fire Station Firefighters who are coming in to chat to us just reminding us of what we can do to help prevent fires and what we should do in the case of a fire. If you would like to join us please call Julie to book your place on 01189787025.







# Meet Sue English



Sue English has been a supporter of Wade for many years. She has sat on our board of trustees and at present is the Chair Person of Friends of Wade. This is Sue being presented with her Civic Award by Cllr Rob Comber.

Over the past 30 plus years Sue's kindness, generosity and ability to work with others with a sense of fun has shone through. She has befriended many folk in the Town, both young and old and enriched their lives in a variety of ways. She has shared her talents and generously devoted many hours to improving the lives and conditions of those around her.

Sue has always been keen to be involved with community life, supporting both her own 3 daughters and other pupils at Palmer School in the 1980s, being a member of the PTA, joining a sewing group to help not only with funds but also to give pupils the chance to buy Christmas presents for pennies rather than pounds. She assisted with the year 6 adventure weeks more than once, and since the arrival of 2 grandsons helped with toddler groups and Beavers.

Sue joined Barkham Hookers and was instrumental in providing bunting to decorate South Place for In Bloom judging in 2022 when Wokingham won gold in the regional finals. She has also been involved for some years with crochet toppers for post boxes and making and selling crochet poppies for the British Legion.

## Meet Sue Continued...

Sue has held the post of Trustee at WADE and is currently a lead in Friends of WADE raising funds for the centre. She is involved with Christmas and Summer fayres and helping cook and serve twice monthly dinners to Rotary Club members who hold evening meetings at the Day Centre. Behind the scenes Sue willingly sources raffle prizes, bakes cakes, nurtures plants and makes novelties for sale at WADE events and from their Rose Street shop.

If you feel you would like to join Friends of Wade or have a few hours to spare to help out at event please do contact us. We are always open to new ideas. Call Elaine on 0118 9787025 or email <a href="mailto:elaine@wadecentre.org.uk">elaine@wadecentre.org.uk</a> and it will be passed to Sue.

# **Next up the Christmas Fair**



If you wish to donate any gifts, bottles or treats for this event please drop into the centre anytime between 9-4 Monday – Friday.

## **Activities for November**

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3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Musical Movement	11:15
3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Kevin & his	13:30
	Trumpet!	
4 <sup>th</sup> November	Seated Exercise &	10:30
	Yoga	
5 <sup>th</sup> November	Sing for yourself	14:00
10th November	<b>Musical Movement</b>	11:15
12 <sup>th</sup> November	Tai - Chi	13:45
13 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Butterfly Buddies</b>	10:30
14th November	"Ayes & Grayces"	14:00
	Singing group	
17 <sup>th</sup> November	Jim Barry - Pianist	14:00
19 <sup>th</sup> November	Mabel the Therapy	11:00
	dog!	
20th November	Fire service Visit!	11:00
24 <sup>th</sup> November	Musical Movement	11:15
26 <sup>th</sup> November	Tai- Chi	13:45
27 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Butterfly Buddies</b>	10:30
Saturday 29th	WADE Christmas	11am – 2pm
November	Fair	







## **Members Monthly Forum**

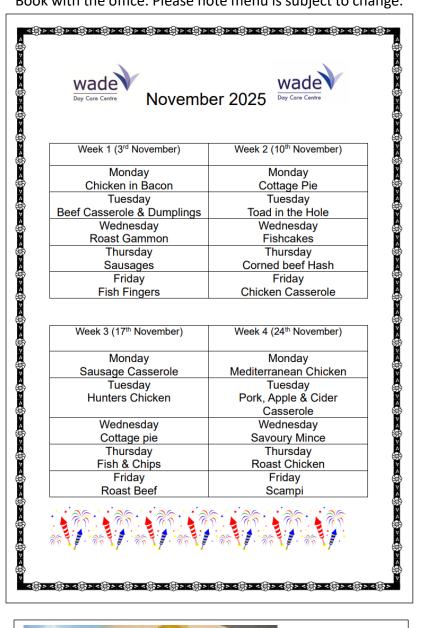
Jackie Wilson our 'members' trustee makes regular visits to meet and discuss what members like or would like to see at Wade. If you have any ideas, you would like to put forward on behalf of your loved ones please contact us in the office on 01189787025 and we will pass it on.





#### **New Lunch Menu for November**

A classic collection of tasty lunches from your 5\*star chefs. Please invite your friends and family to lunch with us too. Book with the office. Please note menu is subject to change.





Steak & Kidney pudding, New potatoes & veg just what you need on winters day.

Only £9 for a 2 course lunch. Book via the office TODAY!

## Smile of the month goes to:

David & David who both really enjoyed the flower arranging with Carole on the 28<sup>th</sup> November.



## **WADE AGM**

Wade will be holding their AGM on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November at 2pm. The meeting will be held at the centre in the dining room and all Members or representatives are welcome.

As a result of the last AGM and following the vote which was sent to all members via post Wade trustees discontinued the current Membership arrangements and abolished the Membership fee from May 1st 2025 after which there will be no annual fee to access Wade Services. Thereafter only Trustees will have the right to vote on all matters pertaining to the running of Wade. This was voted in by members and the Constitution changes have now been applied. This will now mean a very informal meeting but the Trustee's will be open to any questions.

# Dates for your Diaries

- Wade AGM 21<sup>st</sup> November at 2PM
- 21<sup>st</sup> November Wade Christmas Shop event starts.
- 29<sup>th</sup> November Wade Xmas Fair
- 18<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Dinner Places can be booked through Julie on 01189787025.
- 24<sup>th</sup> December Centre will close at 2pm and re-open Monday 29<sup>th</sup> December at 9:00am
- 31<sup>st</sup> December Centre will close at 2pm and re-open on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 9:00

## **November Thank You's**

- Fiona Wright for all her help in the Kitchen.
- Carole Barnes for all her help in the Kitchen and for the flower arranging sessions.
- To Sue & Dave Wilder for giving up their time to help out with some weeding and shaping of some of the beautiful bushes in the garden.
- Fiona Pearce for her continued running & support of Operation Garden.

#### How can you get involved.

If you feel you would like to volunteer and join Team Garden, please get in touch. From weeding to designing, we would love to hear from you. If you call the centre on 01189787025 Elaine or Julie will pass your details on to Fiona.

There was only one way to celebrate 50 years of The Wade Centre and that was with style. Our Golden Gala Dinner was held at Bearwood Lakes Golf Club, and it was a fantastic evening. The evening started with pre-drinks followed by a fabulous meal. The band The Filf played some great well-known songs, and the dance floor was always full. We thank everyone who donated auction and raffle prizes for the event, your generosity amazed us, and we are truly grateful.





#### A NEW EVENT FOR OUR CALENDAR.

We are holding a wreath making evening on Friday 5th December at 7pm here at the Centre

Ticket prices are £35 which includes mulled wine & mince pies. As at all our WADE events we expect lots of fun and laughter. Tickets are limited so don't delay call Elaine on 01189787025 or email on elaine@wadecentre.org.uk



